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## SUBJECT GROUP 1000-1999 MILITARY PERSONNEL

## SUBGROUP 1020 - UNIFORMS

1020.1 Uniform Regulations. See U.S. Navy Uniform Regulations (NAVPERS 156651) and COMNAVREGMIDLANT/SOPA (ADMIN) HRINST 1020.3 (Series) for inclusive fleet and shore establishment uniform information.

1020.2 Uniform Control. Commander, Navy Region, Mid-Atlantic (COMNAVREG MIDLANT) is assigned responsibility for establishing and controlling uniform policies for the Hampton Roads Area and for prescribing uniforms for the season, day or special occasion which will provide the greatest uniformity of appearance. The Commander may designate geographical subareas and may assign area coordinators or commanding officers the delegated authority to prescribe uniforms of the day which are compatible with local climate, mission and public exposure. SOPA in area waters is required, insofar as practicable; to follow the uniform policy and regulations established by COMNAVREG MIDLANT with regard to liberty parties and personnel operating ashore.

1020.3 Navy Uniforms. All military personnel while on board a naval shore activity within SOPA (ADMIN) Hampton Roads area shall be in the prescribed uniform of the day (dress or working) or appropriate civilian attire. Commanders, commanding officers, and officers-in-charge shall ensure compliance with this uniform guidance by personnel under their cognizance. Continuous command attention shall be directed to ensure that uniforms are properly worn and maintained, thereby enhancing the proper image of the military member. Personnel at all levels must ensure that their own appearance and that of their subordinates conform to uniform regulations and grooming standards. Pride in appearance is the mark of a responsible military member, officer and enlisted alike, and a prime indicator of morale and discipline in a command.

1020.4 Seasonal Uniform Periods

a. Summer/Winter Uniform Periods. Past experience makes it desirable to maintain flexibility in commencement of summer/winter uniform periods. Accordingly, to ensure the most comfortable and suitable uniform of the day, weather patterns will be closely monitored and at the appropriate time SOPA (ADMIN) Hampton Roads will direct the shift to the summer/winter uniform. For planning, it is anticipated the shift to the summer uniform will occur between 15 April-1 May; winter uniform between 15 October-1 November. Advance notice will be provided; however, all hands should be prepared to shift uniforms on 15 April/15 October. Commands scheduling changes of command, retirements, etc., which require advance notification to guests should prescribe the summer uniform for events on or after 15 April and the winter uniform for events on or after 15 October.

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b. Azalea Festival and Navy Day Uniform. The uniform for participants at all official events of the Annual Azalea Festival and all official Navy Day/Week functions is service dress blue/service dress blue jumper.